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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Masahiro MACHIDA et al.

Group Art Unit: 2174

Application No.: 09/810,534

Examiner: P. KE

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Docket No.: 108973

For: OPERATING METHOD AND DEVICE, AND IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS
USING THE SAME

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In reply to the October 11, 2006 Office Action, reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested. Claims 1, 3-7 and 9-22 are pending in this application.

The Office Action, on page 2, rejects claims 1, 3-7, 9-14, 16-18, 20 and 21 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,115,720 to Bleizeffer et al. (hereinafter "Bleizeffer"). Additionally, the Office Action, on page 6, rejects claims 15 and 19 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Bleizeffer in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,751,953 to Shiels et al. (hereinafter "Shiels"). The Applicants traverse these rejections.

The Office Action asserts that Bleizeffer teaches many of the features as recited in the subject matter of the pending independent claims. Specifically, the Office Action asserts that Bleizeffer teaches displaying all of the plural items in a single frame of the display device when one of the plural setting frames is displayed, wherein items which have been already set along with their set parameters, items which are being set along with parameters to choose